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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE PUBLICATION OF STORY DAMAGING TO QUEEN --- SIRIKET

REF: BANGKOK 2439

- 1. WE AGREE THAT PUBLICATION IN U.S. WEEKLIES OF STORY AND PICTURE OF QUEEN SIRIKET WOULD BE EMBARRASSING AND POTENTIALLY DAMAGING TO OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS.
- 2. HOWEVER, IT WOULD SEEM THAT ADVISORIES GIVEN BY RESPECTIVE STRINGERS AND CORRESPONDENT, AS DESCRIBED REFTEL, WOULD BE ADEQUATE TO KILL STORY AND, AS RESPONSIBLE PUBLICATIONS, BOTH WILL PROBABLY HEED THE ADVICE.
- 3. IN VIEW OF THIS LIKELIHOOD, WE ARE RELUCTANT TO WEIGH IN, ESPECIALLY SINCE OUR IMPORTUNINGS MIGHT SERVE THE PURPOSE OF CALLING EDITORIAL ATTENTION AND INTEREST TO WHAT MIGHT ALREADY BE A DEAD ITEM. CONFIDENTIAL

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4. WE CANNOT PRECLUDE THE POSSIBILITY THAT OTHER LESS RESPONSIBLE U.S. PUBLICATIONS WHICH FOLLOW THE BRITISH PRESS MIGHT PICK THIS STORY UP, ALTHOUGH IN THE LARGER SCHEME IT HAS, ESSENTIALLY, LITTLE NEWS VALUE. WE HAVE

NOT, FOR EXAMPLE, BEEN AWARE OF APPEARANCE OF AP STORY (REFTEL, PARA 1) IN U.S. PRESS. INGERSOLL

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